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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 119, Applicant hereby claims the priority of French Patent Application No. 02 16096 filed December 18, 2002. The certified copy will be filed in due course.

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